SEARCH COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes, January 25, 2021

The Zoom Meeting was called together at 4:03 PM.

Members present: Amy Hackman, George Deptula, Gloria Schropher, Ellen Greer, Ron Mullett, Chris Zajac, Pat Donovan

Minutes from the December 28 meeting were approved.

There was a discussion of the term "Regulatory Committee". Amy read the list of Eastham Regulatory Committees: Planning, Zoning Board of Appeals, Board of Health, Conservation Committee, Olde Town Centre Historic District Commission, Historical Commission. George offered a definition that these committees make decisions on their own about town issues. The other committees are advisory. Pat suggested that then the new Tax Aid Committee is probably "regulatory".

Committee Vacancies:

Amy submitted a List of Town Vacancies to the Board of Selectman.

Cemetery Board has one vacancy. Pat asked the chair of the committee to check to see if the person she was planning on having apply will, in fact, do so.

Ron had a successful interview arranged for a candidate for the Planning Board and they should be approved by the Select Board tonight.

The Climate Action Committee has three applicants for its three vacancies. Gloria agreed to be the Search Committee Liaison to the Climate Action Committee and will handle the interviews. The Select Board Liaison has suggested that all the interviews be conducted together.

Tax Aid Committee received its first application today for its three vacancies. Pat will handle setting up the interview.

There is an applicant for the Human Services opening and George is handling. The same applicant has also applied for the Cultural Council and Chris has suggested she attend a meeting of that committee and then an interview will be arranged.

Another candidate applied for the Finance Committee, which has no openings, and Pat suggested he attend the meetings of the Finance Committee in the meantime. Another committee he was interested in, Charter Review Committee, has finished its business. The third committee he was interested in, the Capitol Projects Committee, is not a committee to which one can apply.

The Committee Book

It is updated monthly. The Search Committee cannot get access to these updates. There is no list of changes for each month; just a whole new Committee Book is available each month but not to us.

The Search Committee Brochure:

Gloria has the template for this brochure and will update it.

Interview and Applicant Forms:

Both have been rewritten and the Search Committee has not received finalized copies yet and the old forms will continue to be used until the new ones are available.

Publicity:

There was a good article about the new Zoning Task Force in the Cape Codder. We do not know who put in that article since it was a press release from the Town. Staffing that committee will not be the responsibility of the Search Committee.

Amy will put the List of Vacancies in the Eastham Community Space and Ellen will work to get the list in the Cape Codder and the Provincetown Independent.

New Business:

Amy reported that she received the Select Board's liaison responsibilities. She also reminded us to take the Ethics Test every two years.

The next Search Committee Meeting will be March 1, 2021 at 4:00.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Donovan